

## MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, STATE OF CALIFORNIA

Sachi A. Hamai, Executive Officer-Clerk of the Board of Supervisors 383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration Los Angeles, California 90012

At its meeting held February 27, 2007, the Board took the following action:

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The following item was called up for consideration:

The Director of Public Social Services' recommendation to approve and authorize the Director to execute amendment to agreement with the City of Hawthorne at an estimated cost of \$510,372, funded through CalWORKs Single Allocation, to enable an estimated 350 CalWORKs participants, who are enrolled in a community college, to gain a minimum of 20 weekly hours of paid off-campus work experience in a public setting related to their course of study, effective February 27, 2007 through June 30, 2007.

Supervisor Knabe made the following statement:

"The CalWORKs Off-Campus Work Study program is a worthy add-on to our current Transitional Subsidized Employment Program. Given the increased performance requirements imposed by the new Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) regulations, it is crucial that CalWORKs participants be offered every avenue to transition to self-sufficiency. Combining employment activity and education is an excellent way to do this.

"I believe that all of the partners involved in this innovative effort, including the Department of Public Social Services and the community colleges, should continue to work together to ensure that the maximum number of CalWORKs participants be connected to this excellent resource. In addition, I believe it would be worthwhile to track enrollment rates closely in the first year of the program, in order to better understand how this program both benefits our participants and positively impacts our sanction rates."

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Therefore, on motion of Supervisor Knabe, seconded by Supervisor Antonovich, unanimously carried (Supervisor Burke being absent), the Board took the following actions:

- Adopted the Director of Public Social Services' attached recommendations; and
- 2. Instructed the Director of Public Social Services to report back to the Board by August 15, 2007, and on a quarterly basis for one year thereafter, on the following:
  - The number of CalWORKs participants enrolled in work study, and a description of the types of subsidized employment they are being connected with; and
  - The incidence of CalWORKS sanctions among the program participants.

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## Attachment

Copies distributed:
Each Supervisor
Chief Administrative

Chief Administrative Officer

County Counsel

Director of Public Social Services